RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Conversation With:

Brad Hardenbrook

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Personnel Present:

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SUBJECT: Received maps and discussed locations and ranges of sensitive wildlife species

SUMMARY

Larry Thebeau and I met with Brad Hardenbrook of NDOW to discuss and view maps he had provided us with displaying the locations of wildlife species NDOW considers to be of management concern. Those species include dark and pale kangaroo mice, pygmy rabbits, ferruginous hawks, burrowing owls, red tail hawks, prairie falcon, and golden eagles. The maps depict recorded sightings as well as known breeding locations for those species within 20 miles of the Caliente RA. He stated that he did not believe Gila monsters would be found in our area of concern. He confirmed the presence of a southwestern toad at the confluence of Clover Creek and Meadow Valley Wash. He also said that the most effective way to survey for the toad would be to compare the trill to a recorded version, as they are very similar to the redspotted toad.

Other topics which were brought up during the meeting included the fact that Mr. Hardenbrook and NDOW did not have CDs due to budget and purchasing constraints, so he was not able to supply us with the electronic format of the data to include in our (AGEISS') GIS files. We offered to bring him CDs from the AGEISS office to facilitate the data transfer, which he accepted. He also stated that NDOW had spent considerable time and human resources compiling and preparing the maps and data in question, and that if more data requests would be forth coming they would be facilitated by DOE providing NDOW with some operating funds to cover the costs incurred. He also provided us with names of sensitive plant experts working for the state, and we discussed the protocol for supplying our data concerning sensitive plant locations to the state for inclusion in their data base. There was also a short discussion on kit fox ecology, a subject of special interest for both Mr. Hardenbrook and Tim Bennett.

Completed by: Tim Bennett